

Wilmington, Delaware  
April 1, 2010

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**WHEREAS**, Clifford Brown was born in Wilmington Delaware on October 30,

1930, and began playing the trumpet at age 13; and

**WHEREAS**, Clifford Brown has been recognized as Delaware's greatest musician

and one of the finest jazz trumpeters of his era; and

**WHEREAS**, the extraordinary talent of Clifford Brown has been exulted by jazz

greats, notably Wynton Marsalis, Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker; and

**WHEREAS**, Clifford Brown was a resident of the Eastside of Wilmington until his

tragic death at the age of 25. A Street on the Eastside was named "Clifford Brown Walk" in honor of his memory; and

**WHEREAS**, the annual jazz festival that takes place in the city of Wilmington every

year to honor Clifford Brown's contribution to jazz marks the only municipally sponsored jazz festival in the country to honor an African American musician; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the lasting imprint and musical legacy that Clifford Brown left

on the world of jazz, a commemorative stamp honoring Clifford Brown should be issued by the United States Postal Service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY**

**OF WILMINGTON**, that the Wilmington City Council encourages the United States Postal Service to issue a commemorative stamp honoring the life and work of Clifford Brown.

Passed by City Council,  
April 1, 2010

ATTEST: Maribel Ruiz  
City Clerk

Approved as to form this 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of April, 2010.

John R. Smith  
City Solicitor